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18. (Previously Presented) A storage system according to claim 17, wherein data received at the cache unit from one of said control units is transferred to said channel unit in response to a command from said upper-level system.

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are pending in the application. By this amendment, claim 1 is amended.

For the above reasons, it is submitted that none of the pending claims are anticipated by or obvious over the applied references. Withdrawal of the rejections is requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4200 to discuss any matter concerning this application.

The Office is authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 or credit of any overpayment to Kenyon & Kenyon Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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